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nonmagnetic stainless steel powder in the magnetic layer is in the range of 10% to 40%, the thickness of the magnetic layer is in the range of 0.5 to 5.0 1.0 to 4.0 mm, and the woody electric wave absorber electric-wave-absorbing building material has an electric wave absorption characteristic in which the center frequency of the electric waves absorbed lies in the range of 1 to 8 GHz and the amount of electric wave absorption is [[10]] 20 dB or more in a 2.45 GHz frequency band or a 5.2 GHz frequency band.

The present invention also provides (2) the woody electric wave absorber electric-wave-absorbing building material according to (1) above, wherein the ferrite powder is composed of Mn-Zn ferrite and the nonmagnetic stainless steel powder is composed of SUS 304 stainless steel.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line , with the following amended paragraph:

The present invention also provides (3) the woody electric wave absorber electric-wave-absorbing building material according to (2) above, wherein the ferrite powder is a mixture in which the ratio by weight represented by Mn-Zn ferrite:Ni-Zn ferrite is in the range of 1:4 to 4:1 has a median particle size in the range of 50 to 60 µm and a particle size range of 45 to 75 µm.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 16, with the following amended paragraph:

In the electric wave absorber electric-wave-absorbing building material of the present invention, as the thickness of the magnetic layer increases, the peak of the maximum amount of

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